



KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT (KDHE)

Grant Implementation Plan

Grant Title: *Opioid Overdose Crisis Cooperative Agreement*

Funding Amount: \$2,434,248.00 – one-time funding

Project Period: 09/1/2018 – 08/31/2019

Implementation plan for *Opioid Overdose Crisis Cooperative Agreement*:

- Approximately \$1,000,000 from this initiative has been allocated to provide funding awards to up to 25 community-level organizations, such as local health departments, to implement local-level opioid misuse and overdose prevention and intervention strategies.
- Designing and disseminating a naloxone evaluation survey to law enforcement agencies across Kansas to determine which agencies do and do not equip their law enforcement officers with naloxone, the opioid overdose antidote, or offer it for carry.
- Providing education and trainings to emergency medical services personnel regarding best practices in managing opioid overdoses
- Developing a continuing-education credited learning module for Kansas community health workers around opioid use disorder and overdose prevention and response
- Providing trainings to health care providers on best practices for prevention and treatment strategies, including: implementing the CDC Prescribing Guidelines for Chronic Pain, using Kansas's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, K-TRACS, and obtaining the DATA-waiver to prescribe buprenorphine for medication assisted treatment.
- Enhancing information systems for the forensic science centers located in South Central and North Eastern Kansas to promote the timely development of rapid reports on suspected overdose deaths.
- Promoting use of the new system capacity and educating coroners regarding documentation of specific causes of death for drug overdoses
- Disseminating the CDC Rx Awareness video messaging in movie theatre pre-shows, to raise public awareness of the risks associated with prescription opioids.
- Educating local health department staff on the Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment process (SBIRT).
- Funded communities will implement the Integrated Referral and Intake System (IRIS) to build an innovative and effective model of community-level coordination.
- Engaging local emergency departments to identify and implement promising emergency department opioid overdose protocols, policies, and procedures.
- Working with local treatment providers to facilitate the approvals process for implementation of Senate Bill 123 (2003-SB123).
- Providing funding to facilitate an opioid summit for education targeted to law enforcement, Fire/EMS, emergency room physicians, coroners, and prosecutors.
- Enhance opioid overdose syndromic surveillance in emergency departments.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Kansas Substance Use Disorder Treatment Referral Line: 1-866-645-8216
- SAMHSA's National Helpline is a free, confidential, 24/7, 365-day-a-year treatment referral and information service (in English and Spanish) for individuals and families facing mental and/or substance use disorders.
1-800-662-HELP (4357)
1-800-487-4889 (TTY)
<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline>
- SAMHSA Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator serves as a confidential and anonymous source of information for individuals seeking treatment facilities in the United States or U.S. Territories for substance abuse/addiction and/or mental health problems.
<https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/>